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In the Application of:

MARK ANDREW HARMER ET AL. CASE NO.: CR9461 US DIV8

APPLICATION NO.: UNKNOWN GROUP ART UNIT: 1621 (PARENT)

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FOR: SOL-GEL DERIVED POROUS MICROCOMPOSITE OF PERFLUORINATED ION-EXCHANGE POLYMER AND METAL OXIDE

DATE: 7 October 2003

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Introductory Comments

Before examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows: